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Application No.: 09/998,137	)	Group Art Unit: 1723
Filed: December 3, 2001	)	Examiner: Ernest G. Therkorn
For: Method of Separating Compound(s)	)	Confirmation No.: 4571
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312 AND**  
**37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b) TO CORRECT INVENTORSHIP**

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Sir:

In accordance with 37 CFR 1.48(b), it is hereby requested that the inventorship of the above-identified application be corrected by deleting Anibal Lopes as an inventor. Due to the cancellation of claims in the Amendment Accompanying RCE dated September 19, 2003, Anibal Lopes' invention is no longer being claimed in this application; therefore, Anibal Lopes is no longer an inventor.

Entry of this amendment to delete Anibal Lopes as an inventor is respectfully requested under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.312 and 1.48(b).

Please charge the requisite fee under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.48(b) and 1.17(i) of \$130.00 to Deposit Account No. 02-4800.

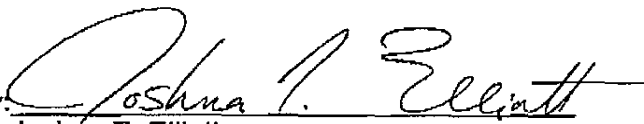
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